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## FINDING AND RECOMMENDATION(S)

**Submitted by: Tahoe Basin Fire Chiefs**

**Finding:** *(i.e., Conclusions reached after investigation and/or evaluation of facts)*

No Basin-wide infrastructure exists representing the Tahoe Basin Fire Chiefs necessary to implement the CWPPs or defensible space programs consistently on a long term regional basis

**Background and Supporting Evidence:** *(A short statement justifying the Finding and describing desired outcome(s); usually no more than half a page.)*

The local fire jurisdictions have acted on their own in pursuing implementation of CWPPs and defensible space. Recently, they have joined with the NV FSC in pursuit of SNPLMA Round 8 dollars for same. While a Multi-Agency Coordination (MAC) Group has formed to ensure coordination of the 10-year Multi-Jurisdiction Plan, no entity exists with the infrastructure necessary to ensure the long-term success of shared objectives. Programs with shared objectives include the pursuit of funding for and implementation of CWPPs and defensible space, GIS programs, public education and fiscal accountability.

The Basin Fire Agencies have discussed creating a Tahoe Basin Fire Safe Council and Tahoe Basin Joint Powers Authority in the absence of one single member agency shouldering the full workload.

**Recommendation(s)** *(Based upon an analysis of the Finding, the following recommendation(s) should be made to the Governors)*

The local Government fire agencies should explore common interests with other existing governmental agencies to avoid duplication of administrative effort in creating yet another entity. One example to be explored is working in partnership with the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency who recognizes how fire prevention measures identified within the CWPP's provides a measure of environmental enhancement and increasingly supports and shares the vision of fire protection programs with the Tahoe Basin Fire Chiefs.

The goal of this effort should be to find a stable, long term, partner that can provide the necessary infrastructure needed to complete programs set out for by this Commission.

**Impacts of Implementation:** *(The implementation of any Recommendation is likely to have specific impacts. Consider potential consequences related to each of the following areas):*

Analysis of impacts on the following factors is REQUIRED (Best Estimate):

- ☐ Cost
- ☐ Funding source
- ☐ Staffing
- ☐ Existing regulations and/or laws

Analysis of impacts on the following factors is OPTIONAL:

- ☐ Operational
- ☐ Social
- ☐ Political
- ☐ Policy
- ☐ Health and Safety
- ☐ Environmental
- ☐ Interagency